

Item No. 2 : RCC Over-head tank : Rs. 10,900

(d) No.

(e) As soon as it is completed.

SRI B. B. SAYANAK.—The cost of this Dhobighat is Rs. 27,000 and the work commenced on 14th December 1972 and completed on 1st April 1976. May I know why it is required more than 3 years?

† SRI D. K. NAIKAR.—According to my information there was delay in completing the work by the contractor. Therefore, action was taken by the Municipality and that is why there was delay.

SRI B. B. SAYANAK.—The other one i.e., R.C.C. Over-head tank is also delayed. Have you got the same reason for that also? If so, when are you going to complete the same and hand over them to the Washermen?

SRI D. K. NAIKAR.—The Hon. Member knows there are two works undertaken by the Municipality—one is over-head tank and another one is Dhobighat. Separate estimates were made and the works were entrusted to the contractor after calling for tenders. There was some delay in executing the work of R.C.C. overhead tank by the contractor. Therefore necessary steps were taken to get it completed. So far as the Dhobighat is concerned, the work is completed and the Over-head tank is under completion. It may take 3 or 4 months more to complete this over-head tank. As soon as it is completed, both will be given to them.

Statue of Mahatma Gandhi at Shorapur

129. SRI. RAJA PID NAIK (Shorapur) — Will the Minister for Municipal Administration and Political Pensions be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the statue of Mahatma Gandhi, has been replaced at Shorapur by the Town Municipality, Shorapur, Gulbarga District;

(b) if so, the reason for the same and the action taken by Government?

SRI D. K. NAIKAR (Minister for Municipal Administration and Political Pensions).—

(a) No.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a).

† Asterisks indicate that remarks or speeches have not been revised by the member concerned.

SRI RAJA PID NAIK.—Is it not a fact that you were pleased to sanction Rs. 10,000 at the time of spot inspection for replacement of statue? May I know what action has been taken to implement your assurance at the time of inspection?

† **SRI D. K. NAIKAR.**—When I had been to Shorapur, the Municipal President requested me to give sanction for the work I said orally that I am going to sanction it. If the file is processed and sent to Government, the same will be sanctioned.

SRI RAJA PID NAIK.—May I know how long it may take to replace the Statue?

SRI D. K. NAIKAR.—As soon as the file comes to me, I will sanction it.

Stock of Special Steel with V. I. S. L.

163. **SRI ABDUL KHUDDUS ANWAR (Bhadravathi).**—Will the Minister for Industries and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state :—

(a) the stocks of special steel available in VISL stockyard in different sizes, and its value (quality and specifications may be furnished; the information be furnished as on 30th June 1976);

(b) the names of the firms that placed orders for purchase of these large quantities of steel; whether these firms have lifted the stock;

(c) if not, the action taken against firms;

(d) the amount of loss incurred by VISL during 1973-74, 1974-75 1975-76 due to non-lifting of these steel?

SRI S. M. KRISHNA (Minister for Industries and Parliamentary Affairs).—

(a) —

(i) As on 30th June 1976, following stocks were held :

		<i>Tonnes</i>
1. Against Orders	...	14,083
2. Ex-stock	...	3,415

(ii) Group and sizewise details of the stocks held were as under:

<i>Specification</i>	<i>Sizes</i>	<i>Tonnage</i>
(a) Carbon Constructional Steel.	Blooms Billets and sections	4,915